# A SENSE OF PLACE IN COASTAL VIRGINIA



**OCTOBER 5, 2005** 

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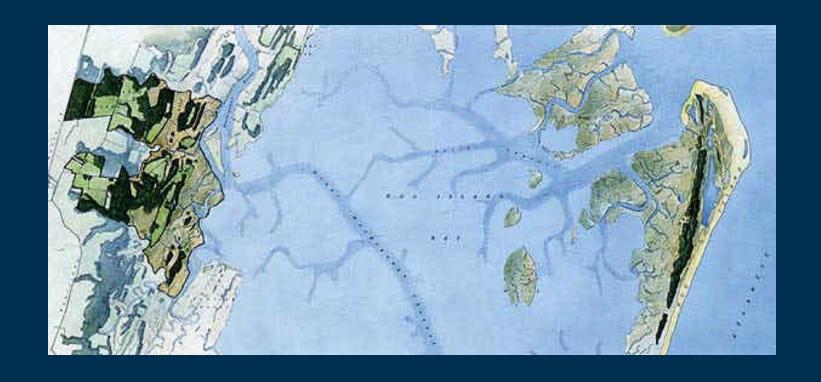
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**Community** 

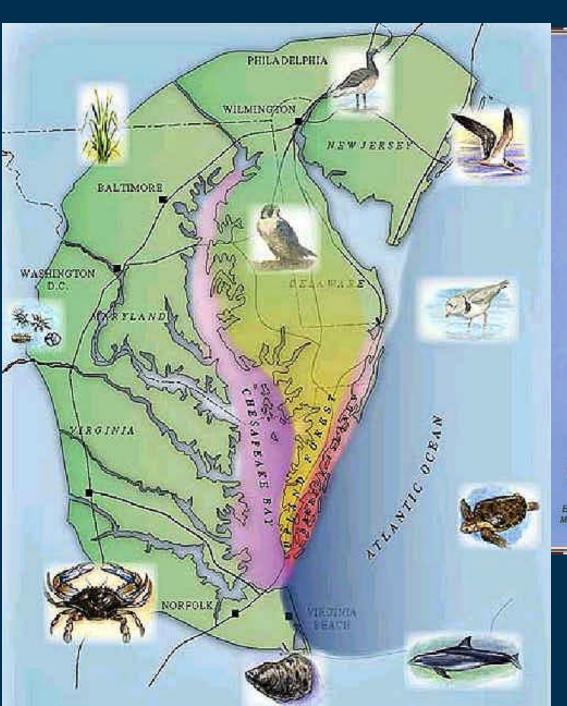


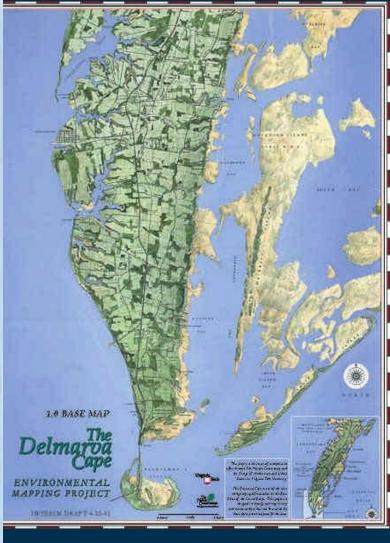


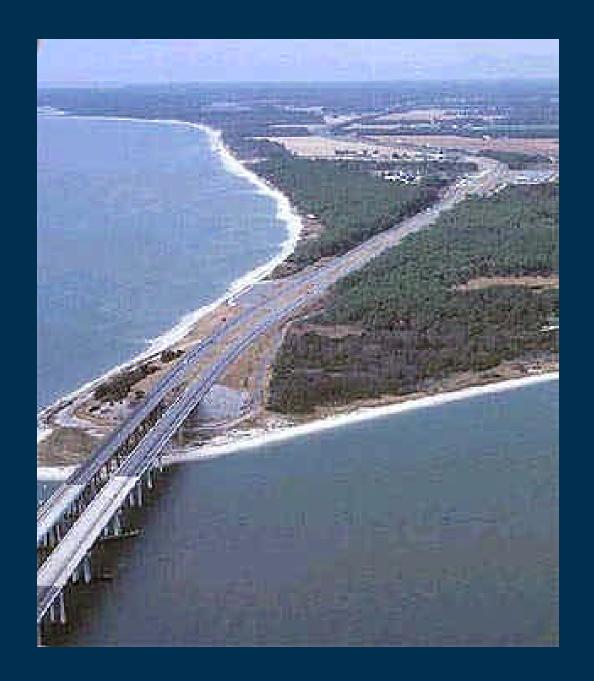


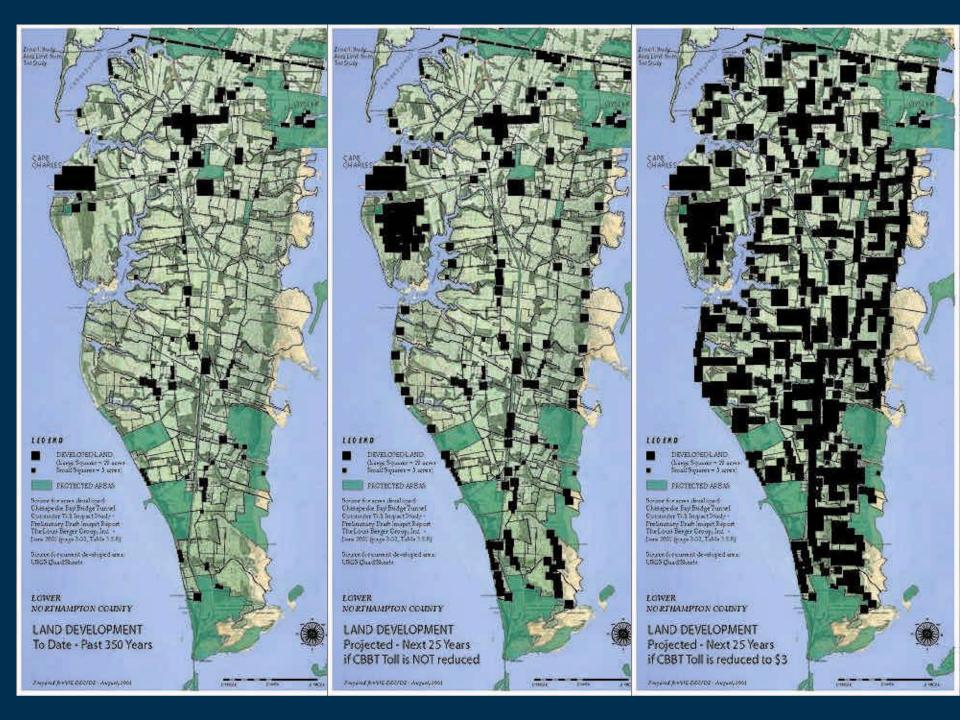


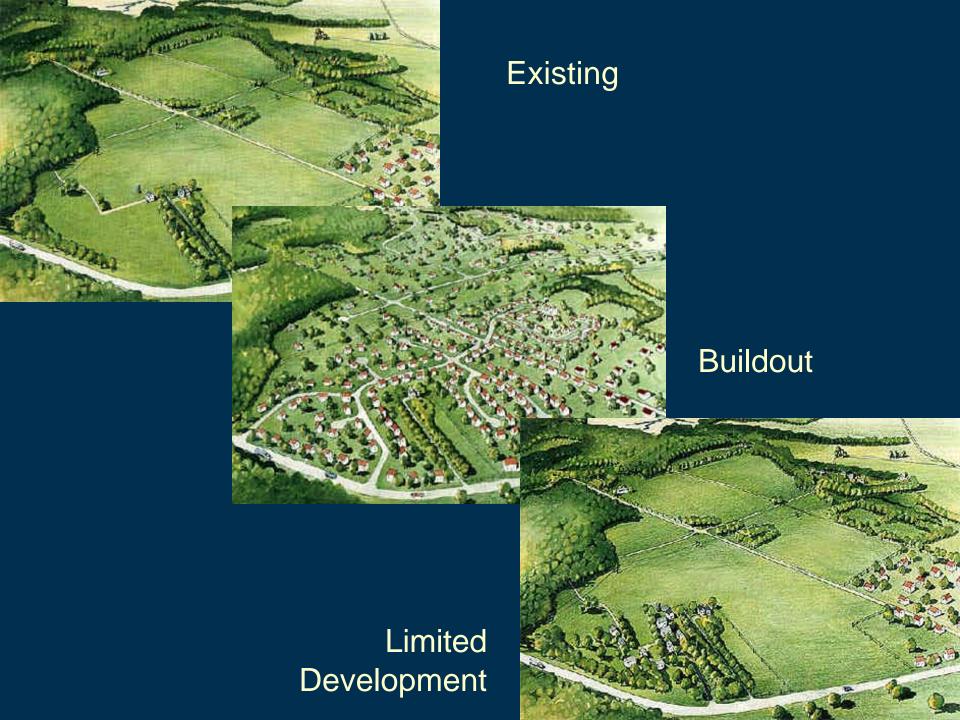


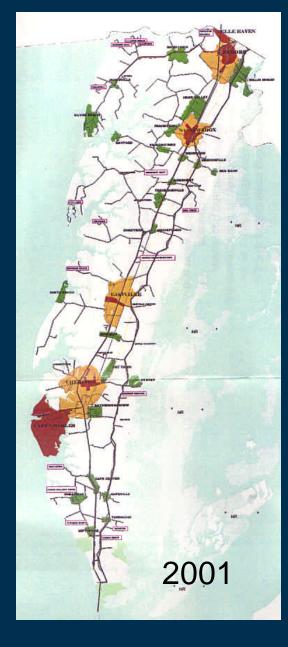






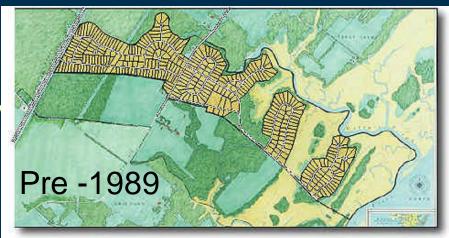


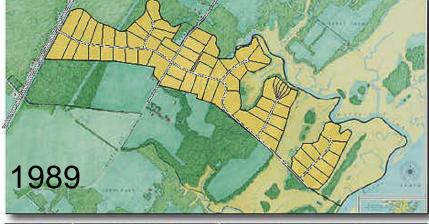


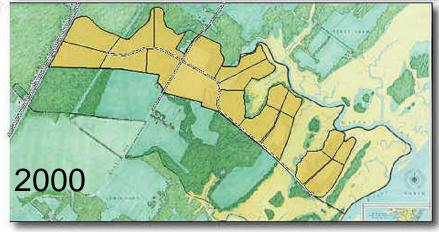


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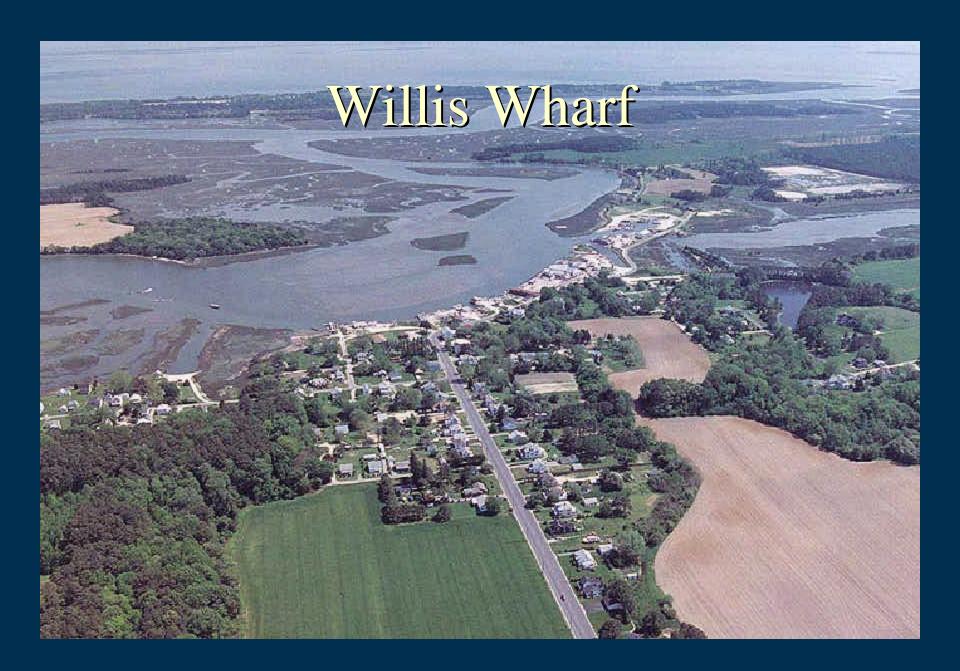
Zoning Ordinance Revisions



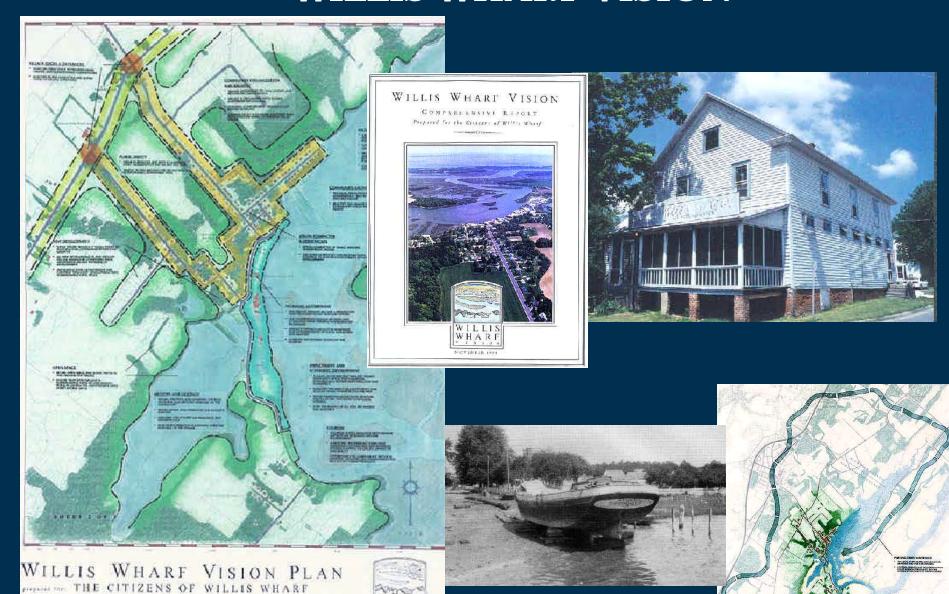




Northampton County, VA



#### WILLIS WHARF VISION

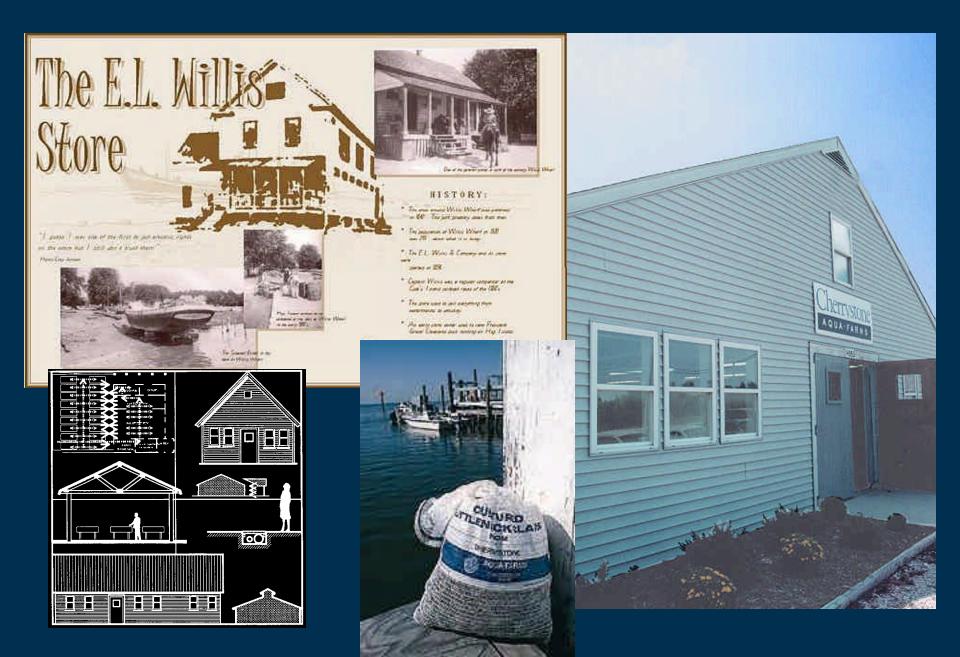


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#### **WILLIS WHARF VISION**



# WILLIS WHARF VISION ACCOMPLISHMENTS 1995-2005:

- Created & Maintained Village Steering Committee
- Formed Local 501-C3 Land Trust
- Attracted Cherrystone Aquafarms in 1998
- Reaffirmed Vision in 2004
- New Waterfront Zoning District in 2005



# "A Vision for the future of Oyster, Virginia"

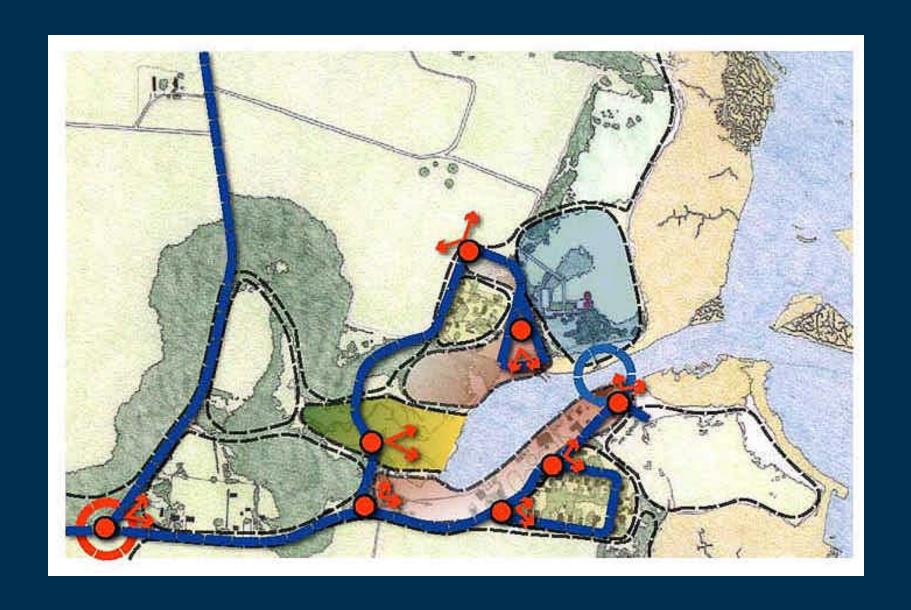


**WALKING TOUR: Getting Organized** 



**FIRST PUBLIC FORUM: Brainstorming Futures** 

#### VILLAGE DESIGN CHARACTER



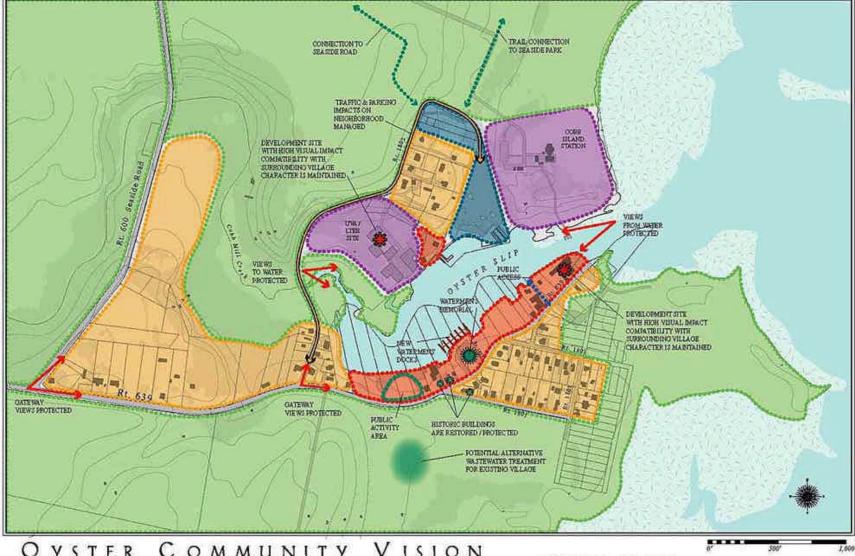


**SECOND PUBLIC FORUM: Affirming The Vision** 

#### **OYSTER'S VISION**

Oyster will be a small historic seaside village that retains its safe, quiet and inviting village character and works cooperatively as a community to:

- Preserve the Village's traditional continuity with its historic maritime culture and lifestyle.
- Maintain and enhance the quality of the natural resources around the Village as fundamental to the daily quality of life of its residents and as the basis for a compatible local economy.
- Support the needs of the commercial and recreational users of its waterfront without compromising the primarily residential character and rural village way of life of the Village.
- Allow for gradual and controlled change and improvement over time while preserving its traditional village character and surrounding open space.



#### COMMUNITY VISION

BY PARADIOM DESIGN APRIL 2004

#### VISION DISTRICTS - SEE VISION STATEMENT FOR SPECIFIC POLICIES

RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS Neighborhood character is preserved -Some new inful ringle family home development that is computable with nurrounding homes.

BURAL CONTEXT Open wews and rural character ate maintained - Senzitive natural areas are protected

BNSTITUTIONAL ANCHORS Research/Academic focus is maintained - Low impact and compatible with Village character

BOATING ACTIVITY AREA Recreational and commercial wage is balanced - Community is protected from detrimental impacts

#### VISION PLAN

April 22, 2004

WORKING WATERFONT Area is revitalized with traditional waterdependent uses - Compatible economic development is escouraged-New development in compatible with historic character of Oyster -Public access & views of water are maintained

NOTE: This Plan was developed by the Oyster Community as a part of str. Community Vision process in April 2004. It is intended to be accomagnied by the policies in the Vision Statement and it only a generalized summary of those policies

OPEN WATER MUDELATS

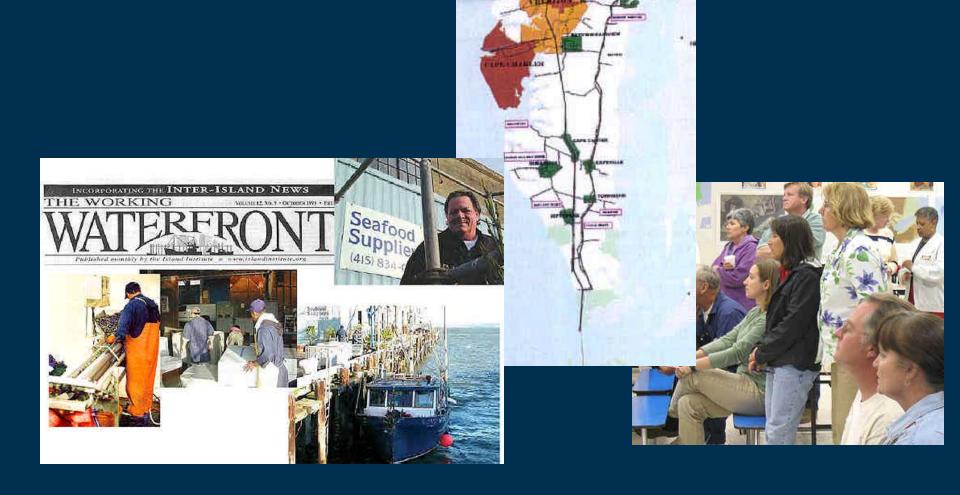
SALT MARSH

UPLANDS

ROADS & PARKING



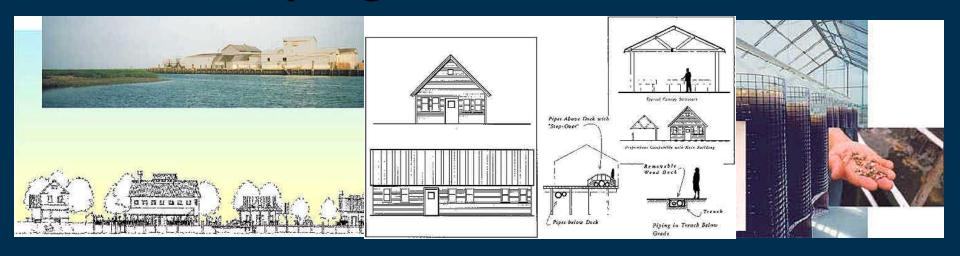
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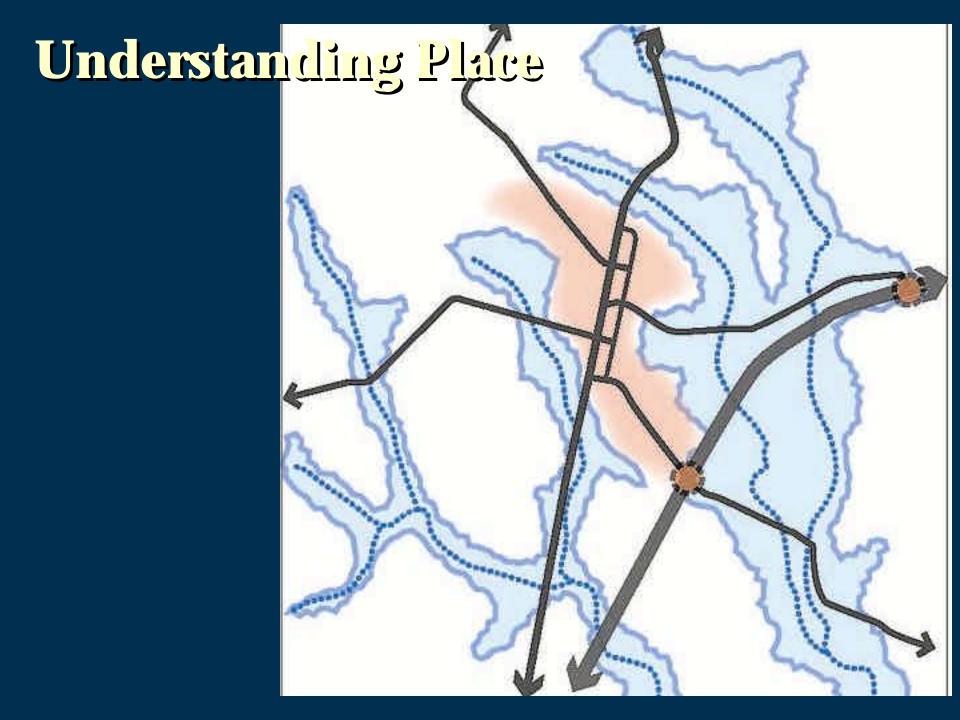


**IMPLEMENTATION WORK SESSION: Who, What, When** 

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES**

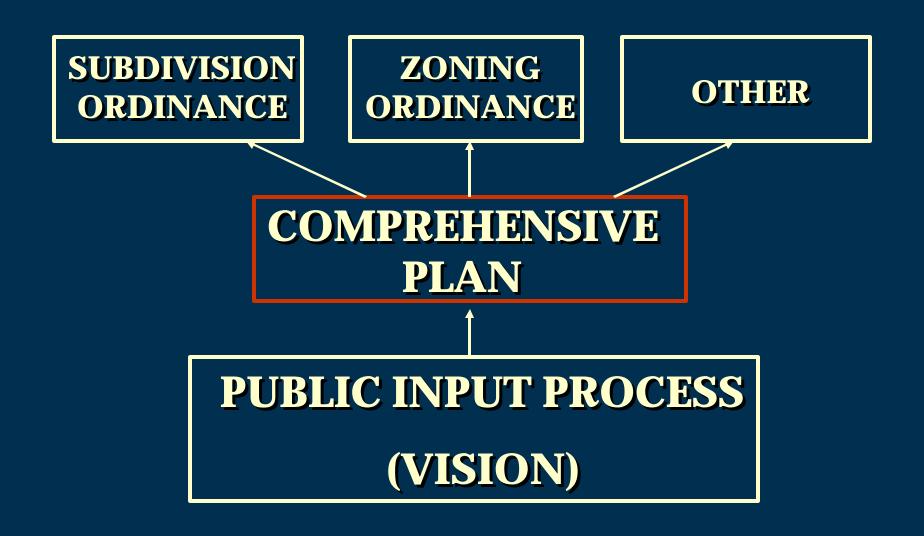
- Buildout Analysis
- Comp. Plan & Zoning Changes
- Flood control / Storm Drainage Plan
- Harbor Plan / Working Waterfront Zone
- Community Organization



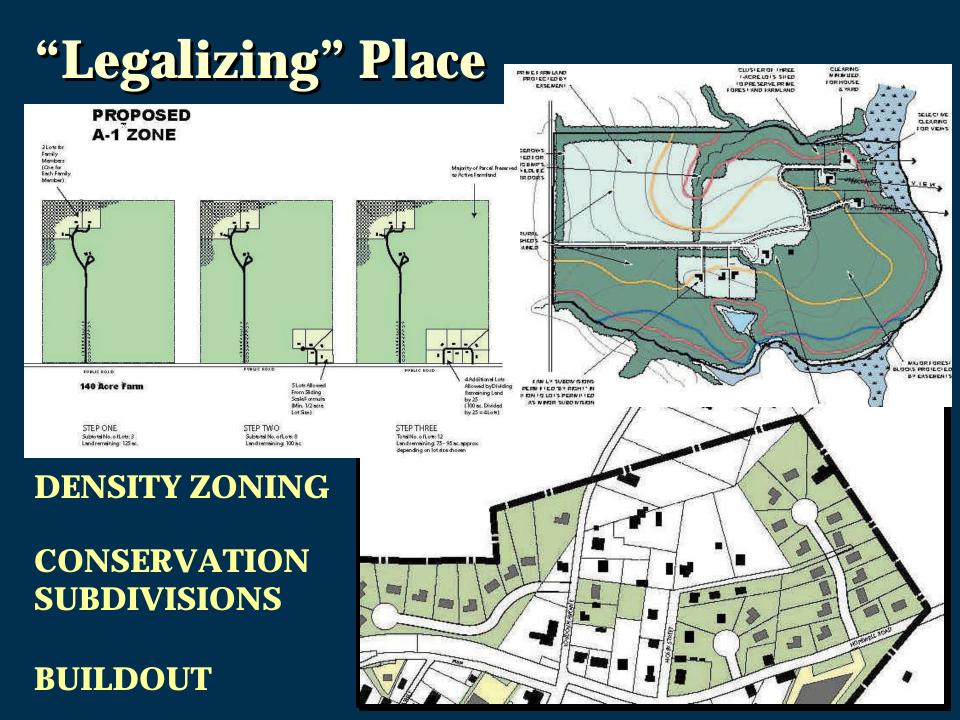


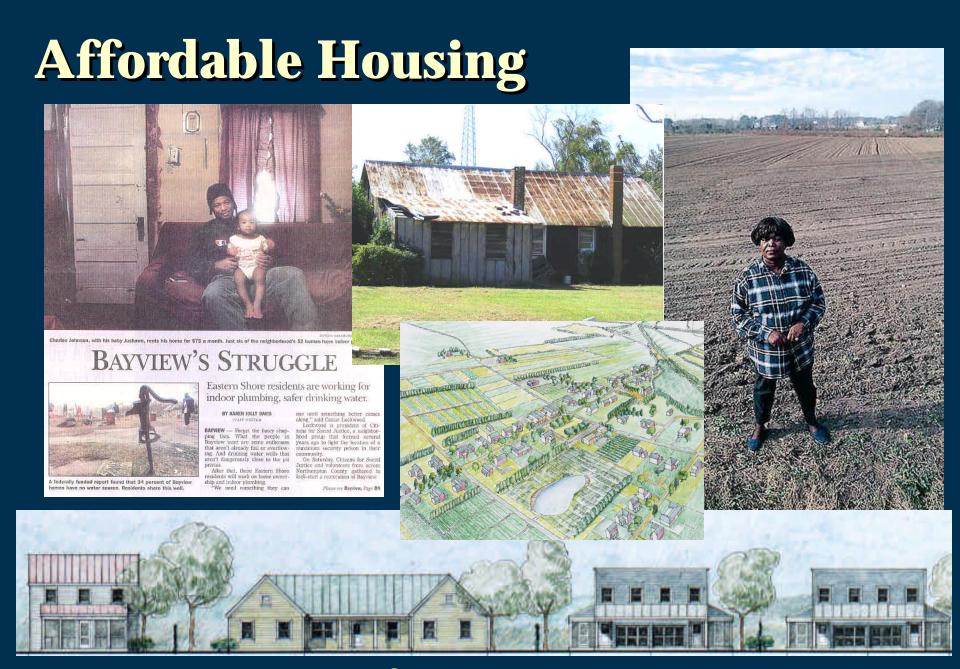


## **Reinforcing Place**









## **Affordable Housing**



# **Conservation Groups** SETTLEMENT

The Nature Conservancy

## A New Vision of Rural Progress



# **Closing Thoughts:**

All Planning is Local

Fifty - 2% Solutions

The Power of Place